

Amitriptyline

Essential medicine status

General description

Amitriptyline is a tricyclic antidepressant that inhibits neuronal re-uptake of noradrenaline and serotonin. It is used for treating depression disorders and chronic pain.

INN

Amitriptyline

ATC codes

[N06AA09](#)

Medicine type

Chemical agent

EML status history

First added in 1977 ([TRS 615](#)) for [Depressive disorders](#)

Added in 1991 ([TRS 825](#)) for [Palliative care](#)

Application rejected in 2025 ([TRS 1064](#)) for [Migraine](#)

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Recommendations

Section

Medicines for other common symptoms in palliative care

- Oral > Liquid: 25 mg per 5 mL
- Oral > Solid > tablet: 25 mg; 10 mg; 75 mg

Indications

[Palliative care](#)

Section

Medicines for depressive disorders

- Oral > Solid: 25 mg; 75 mg

Indications

[Depressive disorders](#)

Section

Medicines for migraine prophylaxis

- Oral > Solid > tablet: 25 mg

Indications

[Migraine](#)